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**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

**MAIL STOP RCE**

Akinori MASAMURA et al.

Group Art Unit: 3753

Application No.: 10/576,258

Examiner: M. TIETJEN

Filed: April 18, 2006

Docket No.: 127740

For: DIAPHRAGM VALVE

**LARGE ENTITY REQUEST FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.114, Applicants hereby request continued examination.

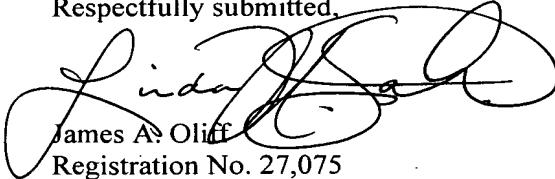
Applicants further request entry and consideration of the attached submission.

(Amendment)

The above-identified application was filed on or after June 8, 1995. Thus, entry is proper under 37 C.F.R. §1.114(d).

Attached hereto is our check no. 218795 in the amount of  \$810.00 as payment of the fees set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 15-0461.

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